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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012 **ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

CHANGES IN WORK FOR A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT
I 5/TELEGRAPH CORRIDOR
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS PROJECT
IN THE CITIES OF DOWNEY, PICO RIVERA, AND SANTA FE SPRINGS AND
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF SOUTH WHITTIER
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 4)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amount for a public works construction contract for I-5/Telegraph Corridor Intelligent Transportation Systems Project in the Cities of Downey, Pico Rivera, and Santa Fe Springs and in the unincorporated community of South Whittier.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find the requested changes in work related to excavating a trench to install conduits, replace a traffic signal cabinet, installation of terminal servers, repair crosswalk, and modify the bridge abutment, with an increase in the contract amount of \$177,675.75, will have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes and increased amount for Project ID No. TSM0010059 - I-5/Telegraph Corridor Intelligent Transportation Systems Project, modification and synchronization of traffic signals and installation of fiber-optic equipment and closed-circuit television cameras, in the Cities of Downey, Pico Rivera, and Santa Fe Springs and in the unincorporated community of South Whittier, being performed by Manuel Bros, Inc.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain approval from the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors (Board) for the changes in a public works contract in support of the timely completion of the project while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure.

The Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for your Board's authorization are changes in work in excess of the Director's delegated limit, which are required to complete the project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated change order amount for this contract is \$177,675.75.

Funding for these changes in work is included in the First and Fourth Supervisorial Districts' Fiscal Year 2010-11 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget. A detailed cost breakdown for the changes, together with the contract cost summaries, is included in the enclosure.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board on May 12, 2009, to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid in accordance with the State Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director or her designee.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosure do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under

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the provisions of the contract specifications. The method for arriving at the costs of the changes is included in the enclosure.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under the contract and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office County Counsel Executive Office Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE) September 14, 2010

PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010059 - I-5/TELEGRAPH CORRIDOR INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PROJECT (in the Cities of Downey, Pico Rivera, and Santa Fe Springs and in the unincorporated community of South Whittier), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 4, Contractor: Manuel Bros, Inc.

Project Description:

Modification and synchronization of traffic signals and installation of fiber-optic equipment and closed-circuit television cameras as part of the traffic management strategies known as Intelligent Transportation Systems.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Excavate a trench to install conduits	\$ 32,472.10
(2)	Replace traffic signal cabinet	87,353.88
(3)	Install terminal servers	22,739.05
(4)	Crosswalk repair	14,407.23
(5)	Bridge abutment modification	20,703.49
	Total	\$ <u>177,675.75</u>

Description of Changes:

- (1) It is necessary to excavate a trench to install 3- and 4-inch PVC conduit instead of directional drilling due to the existence of concrete slurry backfill not shown on the plans.
- (2) It is necessary to replace an existing traffic signal cabinet with a new cabinet that can accommodate fiber-optic switches and equipment.
- (3) It is necessary to install additional fiber-optic equipment to meet the operational intent of the design.
- (4) It is necessary to repair a crosswalk to be consistent with existing field conditions.
- (5) It is necessary for the contractor to cut a hole in the retaining steel and into the abutment in order to be able to place the conduit across the bridge. This work is not shown on the plans.

The costs for all items will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Ten additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Financial Information:

These changes in work are included in the First and Fourth Supervisorial Districts' Fiscal Year 2010-11 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,364,803.00
Changes in work previously authorized by the Board	521,626.73
Changes in work to be authorized	<u> 177,675.75</u>
Revised contract amount	\$ <u>2,064,105.48</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	51%

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